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THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" The scheme will be taken up only after the two larger anicut schemes higher up the thodu in Karippur and Nediyiruppu amsam sanctioned earlier have been completed and the further availability of water for the Kondotti scheme is established thereafter."

B.C.G. vaccine.

* 152 Q.—SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the use of B.C.G. vaccine has been introduced in our State;

(b) if so, when and in what places;

(c) whether any representations were received by the Government from any qualified doctors of the State, offering their services free to treat people with B.C.G. vaccine;

(d) whether the Government declined to accept the offer and refused to supply the B.C.G. vaccine; and

(e) if so, why?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) & (b) B.C.G. vaccination was introduced in Madras City in February 1949 and it is being continued as a part of preventive measure against tuberculosis.

" (c) The answer is in the negative.

" (d) & (e) Since no offer was made by any doctor, there was no need for refusing it."

Extension of Community Project Scheme.

* 153 Q.—SRI K. VENKATARAMANA GOWDA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state with reference to answer to question No. 145, dated 25th November 1952—

(a) to how many areas and what districts the Community Project Scheme has since been extended; and

(b) what are the rules or principles guiding the introduction and extension of the scheme?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (a) Four areas in the districts of South Arcot, Chingleput, Tirunelveli and Madurai.

" (b) (1) Community projects or blocks should first be established on these areas in which on account of irrigational facilities or assured rainfall, additional effort is likely to produce the most substantial results in the matter of agricultural production within the shortest time possible.